

# CONTRACTORS

## The Leading Contractors and Engineers of Chicago and the Work They Are Doing

Marshall & Huschart deserve the good reputation of their municipal shop and manual training school work. They are at the top.

The Beaver Electric Construction Company of 30 North La Salle street stands high among the contracting engineers of the country. The work of this company and its engineers is praised everywhere.

The Lynchburg Foundry Co. enjoys a high and well deserved reputation in Chicago for the output of its great plant. Its fittings for water, gas and culverts are in great demand.

The Klump-Simpson Company excel in iron and steel construction.

William H. Lyman, the popular former senator and alderman, is at the head of the big public contracting firm of W. H. Lyman & Co.

A. Cherney, the well known teaming contractor, is building up a great business through his careful attention to his customers.

G. S. Wheeler, the president and treasurer of the big Standard Concrete Construction Company, is highly respected in business circles. He makes friends everywhere and his company has an established reputation for good work whether on public or private contracts.

The Little Giant motor truck is the best on the market.

Richard M. Hennessey, the well known building contractor, has an honored record for ability and efficiency.

A. Cherney, the well known teaming contractor of 130 East Grand avenue, is much talked of for County Commissioner.

The Ohio Sandstone Company has a deserved high reputation for its building stone and stone curbing.

All plants of the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company, manufacturers of Little Giant trucks, are working at full capacity, according to W. O. Duntley, president of the concern. At the rate orders are coming in factory additions will have to be made in the near future.

The American Cast Iron Pipe Company stands for quality and service. The wonderful organization of its big plant is responsible for the great reputation enjoyed by its products.

W. S. Tothill, the great manufacturer of gymnasium and playground apparatus, at 1515 Webster avenue, has a national reputation because of the excellence and reliability of his products.

William H. Baker made a good record on the Sanitary Board.

Byrne Brothers Dredging and Engineering Company win praise because of their reasonable figures and splendid work.

## STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council standing committees are as follows, the first alderman named being in each case chairman: Finance—Richard, Doyle, Nance, Merriam, Block, Kerner, Lawley, Sitts, Geiger, Captain, Lippa, Little, Kearns, Fisher, T. J. Lynch.

Local transportation—Captain, Richard, Nance, Vanderbilt, Smith, Utpatel, Walkowiak, Healy, Geiger, Kjellander, Lippa, Watson, Doyle, Fisher, Michaelson, Toman, T. J. Lynch.

Gas, oil and electric light—Sitts, Merriam, Cross, McNichols, Zwelfka, Lawley, Utpatel, Walkowiak, Bowler, Wallace, Haderlein, O'Toole, Block, Kearns, Rea, Buck, Toman.

Harbors, wharves and bridges—Little, Kenna, Doyle, McCormick, Vanderbilt, Krundick, Zwelfka, Murray, Horne, Walker, Bauler, Wallace, Watson, W. J. Lynch, Schwartz.

Local industries—Fisher, Morris, Hickey, Cross, Klaus, Cullerton, Novak, Lawley, Sitts, Bauler, Link, Pretzel, Blaha, O'Toole, Michaelson.

Judiciary—Kerner, Coughlin, Norris, Werner, McCormick, Kimball, Rodriguez, Walkowiak, Powers, Miller, Bauler, Kjellander, Hickey, Hrubec, W. J. Lynch, Buck, Blaha.

Streets and alleys—Healy, Coughlin, De Priest, Hickey, Martin, Anderson, Kennedy, Szymkowski, Miller, Ellison, Kjellander, Haderlein, Adamowski, Rea, Janke.

Licenses—Toman, Norris, Werner, McCormick, Tyden, Krundick, Novak, Horne, Smith, Bowler, Ellison, Haderlein, Byrne, O'Toole, Janke.

Buildings and city hall—Pretzel, Martin, Kimball, Vanderbilt, Klaus, Horne, Szymkowski, Powers, Franz, Walker, Link, Kennedy, Adamowski, W. J. Lynch, Pegram.

Schools, fire, police and civil service—T. J. Lynch, De Priest, Byrne, Martin, Klaus, Krundick, Powers, Miller, Ellison, Wallace, Goadt, Kennedy, Pegram, Buck, Blaha.

Health—Nance, Kenna, Schwartz, Kimball, Tyden, Cullerton, Novak, Anderson, Rodriguez, Szymkowski, Murray, Franz, Goadt, Pretzel, Pegram.

Railway terminals—Geiger, Kenna, Schwartz, Richard, Merriam, McNichols, Utpatel, Walkowiak, Healy, Bowler, Captain, Lippa, Little, Byrne, Rea.

Track elevation—Michaelson, Cross, McNichols, Anderson, Rodriguez, Zwelfka, Franz, Hrubec, Janke.

Compensation—Kearns, Werner, Tyden, Kerner, Murray, Watson.

Chicago is full of attractions for visitors, outside of its 210 theaters and hundreds of car routes. Among the principal features the following are worth looking at:

North Division.

Water Tower, Chicago avenue water works.

Academy of Sciences museum, Lincoln Park.

Cemeteries—Graceland, Rosehill, Calvary, St. Boniface.

Grant, Lincoln, Schiller, Goethe and other monuments, Lincoln Park.

Historical Society, Dearborn avenue and Ontario street.

Lake Shore Drive, Ganssberg Boulevard.

Lincoln Park conservatories and zoo.

Newberry Library, Clark street and Walton place.

DePaul University, Webster and Sheffield avenues.

Marine Hospital, Clarendon and Graceland avenues.

Soldiers' monuments in St. Boniface, Rosehill, Calvary and Graceland Cemeteries.

Indian trail tree, Glencoe.

South Division.

Continental and Commercial Bank building, La Salle, Adams, S. 5th Ave. and Quincy streets.

Court House and City Hall, Clark, La Salle, Randolph and Washington streets.

Art Institute, on the lake front, foot of Adams street.

Auditorium tower, Wabash avenue and Congress street; view of city.

Blackstone branch library, Lake avenue and 49th street.

Board of Trade, La Salle street and Jackson boulevard; admission to gallery.

Cahokia courthouse on Wooded Island in Jackson Park.

Caravels in Jackson Park.

Chicago Normal School, 68th street and Stewart avenue.

Confederate monument in Oakwoods Cemetery.

Cremar Library, 87 Wabash avenue, sixth floor.

Douglas monument, 35th street and Ellis avenue.

Field Museum, in Jackson Park.

Federal Building, Adams and Clark streets.

Fort Dearborn site tablet, 1 River street, opposite Rush street bridge.

Grand Army hall, public library building, Randolph street and Michigan avenue.

Iroquois theater fire, scene of, 79-83 Randolph street.

Jackson Park, World's Fair, 1893.

Life Saving Station, at mouth of river.

Lincoln wigwag tablet, Market and Lake streets.

Logan statue in Grant Park (lake front).

Marquette Building sculpture panels, Dearborn and Adams streets.

Marquette-Joliet cross, Robey street and drainage canal.

Masonic Temple; "Lew of city from roof."

Massacre monument in 15th street near the lake.

McKinley statue in McKinley Park.

Public Library, Michigan avenue and Washington street.

South Water street; commission house district.

State street department stores; shopping district.

Stockyards, Halsted and Root sts.

University of Chicago, Midway place.

Washington statue, Grand boulevard and 51st street.

Wooded Island in Jackson Park.

West Division.

Douglas Park.

Drainage canal.

Garfield Park.

Ghetto district on South Canal, Jefferson and Maxwell streets; fish market on Jefferson street from 19th to Maxwell.

Jefferson street north of Randolph and Desplaine street, scene of anarchist riot.

Hull House, 335 South Halsted st.

Humboldt Park.

Humboldt, Lief Ericson, Reuter and Kosciuszko monuments in Humboldt Park.

Police monument (Haymarket), in Union Park.

Fire tablet (1871), 147 DeKoven street.

Kirk adds to fame of city.

Manufacturer Has Made Chicago Products Household Word the World Over.

On the site of the first house erected in Chicago today stands the most famous soap factory in the world.

For it is not too much to say that James S. Kirk & Company occupies a position in the business world where its name and product is as well known on the other side of the world as it is within a stone's throw of the factory doors.

It was in 1839 that the soap manufacturing business of the great American house of Kirk was founded in Chicago. Since then three generations of Kirks have developed the business until it has become one of the modern giants of industry, calling to its aid the sciences of chemistry, botany and geology, and combining in a coherent whole elements of success which have made Kirk products household names in millions of homes.

Progress Has Been Rapid.

From 1839 to 1914, though but a step in older communities, is a far stride in Chicago, where progress is being made at a rate the old world has never seen. From the straggling line of shanties, which lined the low marshes, to the magnificent skyline of a world capital, there is a separation of far more than seventy-five years. From the pioneer days to the bustling present there is a change as great as between England and Cathay. The change is not so much in men as in mind, in methods more than in products. The soaps manufactured in the tiny factory nearly four score years ago were as good in cleansing power, as pure in their constituent parts, as any Kirk product of this year of grace. But how far the cry between the methods of that early day and the vast machinery which hastens and controls with automatic precision the Kirk products now! It is safe to say that not a single man, woman or child in America able to read either English or any of the modern tongues, but has become acquainted with the fact that Kirk's soaps are good soaps. Familiar with the name, they have tried the product, and, finding it all right, they continued to buy ever after.

Products Known Everywhere.

It is not chance which has wrought this tremendous industrial success. It is no lucky stroke which has brought the name and fame of the American Family Soap or Jap Rose to the attention of the civilized world. There is the meritorious product, which is the basis of growth, as in every industrial success throughout all time, and there is the personality, the real active presence of the man behind. This suggestive phrase, which sticks in the mind with a persistency suggestive of its fundamental truth, answers the eternal question, "Why this success?" by picturing the driving force, impelling the hundreds and thousands of loyal employees to their best efforts all the time.

Mr. Holloway's Fine Record.

To Edwin G. Holloway, president of the James S. Kirk Company, may be credited very largely the new era in the business. Twenty-seven years ago Mr. Holloway, then a young emigrant just from England, started in the packing room of the Kirk establishment as clerk. He noted, learned, watched and studied until, having mastered the mysteries of the packing room, he was transferred to other departments, learned the why and wherefore of their being, saw how business was routed through the plant, came to understand the underlying principles of the industry, and found out that there were processes he could better learn without than within the factory.

Having been thoroughly grounded in the principles of chemistry, he asked to be transferred to the chemical department in the factory, stating that he was studying in night school and wanted to learn in practice the working out of the formulas taught him theoretically. As assistant chemist he sought to know what methods would result in better soap rather than in cheaper soap. He studied to learn economy in methods, scientific management, and right buying, shortly rising to higher position in the Kirk laboratories, and finally becoming chief chemist.

Learned Industry Thoroughly.

His thorough knowledge of the industry, combined with high ability as a chemist, enabled him to originate several new processes of soap manufacture. The now world famous "Jap Rose" transparent soap for bath and toilet purposes is a product of this brain. "Kirk's Flake," a white laundry soap compounded entirely from vegetable oils, without the aid of any animal fats, whatever, is another brand due to the skill and inventive genius of the present executive when holding the important office of chief chemist.

It is little wonder then, that when the stockholders came to elect a president, that one combining such qualities, who had for long years been identified with the house, whose energy, whose initiative, whose executive ability and genius for organization had been developed and reached their full fruition in promoting the productive power of the manufactory in which all were interested, that Mr. Holloway was called to the highest office in the gift of the company.

Such recognition is in line with the best commercial and industrial thought, but it still comes in the nature of a surprise that, in reality, a man can "work himself up" without a "pull."

Is Typical Chicago Story.

It's a tale that can not be too often told, a tale that is typically a Chicago story, stimulating to the ambition of every boy in the public schools of this city, and, more than ever, to those boys forced to leave school before they have gained more than the rudiments of an education. For in the story of the rise of the house of Kirk, and the successful life of the present president, any boy can learn that the way to make good is to work, work, work, loyally, faithfully, hope as the American record, owing to the due course.

Thomas J. Sauerman of Ohio and Clark streets and proprietor of the oldest saloon and restaurant in Chicago has the finest bar fixtures in America. They were made over fifty years ago, and the carving was all done by hand. The German Historical Society has taken photographs of them.

The Chicago Automobile Club, the finest and strongest automobile club in the country, is campaigning for new members. It ought to get three thousand more at once, for it is a real club with a real purpose.

The Michigan Club which meets at Ohio and Clark streets in Sauerman's splendid rooms is growing in membership and power every day.

Frank J. Hogan, the popular and well-known lawyer, would make a fine Municipal Judge.

Frank Woeger, the well known brewer and business man, is talked of for State Auditor and State Treasurer. He would fill either position well.

Dr. George Sultan always made a good record in public life.

President Thomas A. Smyth, of the Sanitary District, has increased the efficiency of the service one hundred per cent since he took office.

Peter Schoenhofen Thourer, the popular president of the Peter Schoenhofen Brewing Company, is a progressive and public spirited leader in Chicago affairs.

Judge Charles A. McDonald is making a splendid record on the Superior Court bench. He is a conscientious and fair-minded judge.

Charles E. Doyle, the veteran letter carrier, is universally esteemed in public and private life.

Judge Edward T. Glennon, the well known railroad lawyer, is respected by bench, bar and public.

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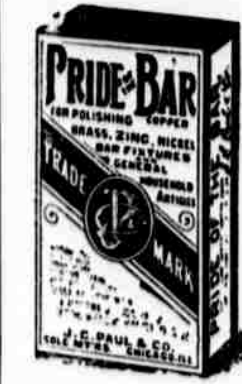
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